

ON THE TYPE LOCALITY AND SYNONYMY OF
Eoglaucomy's fimbriatus AND ITS LOCAL RACES.

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The type of *Sciuropterus fimbriatus* Gray (B.M. No. 37.6.10.55) is labelled as coming from 'India' and no more definite locality is given either on the label, or in Gray's original description of the species. This specimen was obtained by the Museum by purchase on the sale of the collection of Col. Cobbe on his death in 1836. Through the courtesy of the India Office I have been able to consult the record of service of Col. Cobbe in order to discover if at any time he was stationed anywhere within the area of distribution of this species. The result was negative. All the places mentioned in this record were in Central India or Bengal and it is probable that he received his specimen from friends stationed in the Hills and the most likely place from which he would have obtained it is Simla. I have compared the type with a series of specimens from Simla and they are, allowing for fading, identical. Therefore the typical locality for *Eoglaucomy's fimbriatus* Gray, should be regarded as Simla until more definite evidence is forthcoming.

Examination of the large series of this species in the British Museum shows that it can be divided into two races; the eastern typical race, and a larger, lighter western race to which the name *baberi* Blyth is assignable.

The genus *Eoglaucomy's* therefore contains one species divided into two races. They are:—

Eoglaucomy's fimbriatus fimbriatus (Gray).

1837. — *Sciuropterus fimbriatus* Gray, Mag. Nat. Hist.,
new series, vol. i, p. 584.

Type locality. — Simla.

Eoglaucomy's fimbriatus baberi (Blyth).

1847. *Sciuropterus barberi* Blyth, Journ., Asiat. Soc.,
Bengal, vol. xvi, p. 866.

Type locality. Mt. District Nijrow, Kohistan.